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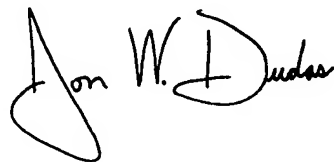
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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In col. 6, line 22, equation (3) and col. 6, line 35, equation (4), please amend the summation index " $j \neq 1$ " to read --  $j \neq i$  --.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Dudas".

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